



# CITY OF LODI

## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Adopt resolution authorizing the purchase of Safari Recreation Management Software for use by the Parks and Recreation Department from The Active Network, Inc. of Sacramento, CA (\$20,675.46)

MEETING DATE: September 17, 2003

PREPARED BY: Parks and Recreation Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council authorize the purchase of Safari Recreation Management software from The Active Network, Inc. of Sacramento to be used in daily operations by the Parks and Recreation Department.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: In 1997, the Parks and Recreation Department purchased RecWare Pro, an automated recreation management software product, that is used for activity registration, child care program management, and facility management. This product is based on a module concept with each module acting as a separate product. The modules have presented several time-consuming challenges to staff in the areas of accounting, multi-tasking (only one module open at a time), data collection, and tracking of certain transactions.

The makers of RecWare Pro have introduced a new line of recreation management software called Safari which utilizes much newer technologies than the previous product. Included in the Safari product is fully integrated components (activity registration and facility reservation), customer account management, financial tracking system, data reporting engine, and a point of sale system. Also included in the package is an internet registration component should the department choose to offer online options for customers. Some of the benefits to upgrading the software are improved customer service, improved accounting and daily close procedures, additional data collection options, improved reporting capabilities and ease of use by staff.

Included in the purchase price is staff training, the transfer of current data in RecWare Pro to Safari, and one year of maintenance that includes product updates and unlimited technical support.

FUNDING: Parks and Recreation Capital Fund 1212738 (\$20,675.46)

Funding Available:

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09/10/03

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-170

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE  
PURCHASE OF SAFARI RECREATION MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE  
FOR USE BY THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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WHEREAS, Lodi Municipal Code §3.20.070 authorizes dispensing with bids for purchases of supplies, services, or equipment when it is in the best interests of the City to do so; and

WHEREAS, in 1997 the Parks and Recreation Department purchased RecWare Pro, an automated recreation management software product that is used for activity registration, child care program management, and facility management; and

WHEREAS, this product is based on a module concept with each module acting as a separate product. The modules have presented several time-consuming challenges to staff in the areas of accounting, multi-tasking with the ability to open only one module at a time, data collection, and tracking of certain transactions; and

WHEREAS, the makers of RecWare Pro have introduced a new line of recreation management software called Safari which utilizes much newer technologies with fully integrated components that include activity registration, facility reservation, customer account management, financial tracking system, data reporting engine, and a point of sale system. Also included is an internet registration component that would allow online options to customers should the Department choose to provide this service; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends purchasing the upgraded software which will improve customer service, improve accounting and daily close procedures, provide additional data collection options, improve reporting capabilities and ease of use by staff.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby authorizes the purchase of Safari Recreation Management Software for the Parks and Recreation Department from The Active Network, Inc. of Sacramento, California in the amount of \$20,675.46.

Dated: September 17, 2003

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2003-170 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held September 17, 2003, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Beckman, Hansen, Howard, Land,  
and Mayor Hitchcock

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None



SUSAN J. BLACKSTON  
City Clerk